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... the office of the appellant's counsel is located in New Orleans, which has recently suffered from the flood occasioned by hurricane Katrina. Due to mandatory evacuation from the City of New Orleans, the office of the appellant's

counsel was unable to obtain access to the files,
which are essential to the preparation of the oral
hearing currently set for September 13, 2005.

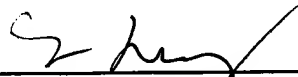
Due to these extraordinary circumstances, the
Board of Appeals is respectfully requested to
grant a three-month extension of time and
permit the oral hearing to be re-set for
December of this year.

For the reasons given above, it is

Ordered that the request to reschedule the hearing to a
date at least three months after September 13, 2005, is granted,
and that a new date for the oral hearing will be sent to
Applicant's counsel.

No further request for postponement will be permitted.
Any further request for postponement will be treated as a waiver
of the Request for Oral Hearing.

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